



ARC-OVER

Turlock Amateur Radio Club (T.A.R.C.)



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November 2025

The next general club meeting is Tuesday (Veterans Day) November 11, 2025, at the Salvation Army 893 Lander Ave. Turlock, CA 95380. Doors will open at 6:30 pm and meeting begins at 7:00pm.





From the desk of the V.P. and ARC-Over editor:
Lucian KF6NPG

Welcome to the November edition of the ARC-OVER. It appears the antenna building seminar was a great success and everyone had a great time. Thanks to Tim WI6NG and Eric K7RKU for coordinating this seminar. This month we will talk about the upcoming community events, the Turkey Trot and the Christmas Parade.

Our meeting will be held on Veterans Day, and we wish to recognize and thank all veterans for their service to our great country.

Thanksgiving is around the corner and is a time for friends and family to get together and I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Pacificon was a great event, and I saw several members in attendance from the SARA and TARC clubs. Thanks to Don W6DEJ for the great photos of the antenna build and Pacificon.

If you are an ARRL member you should have received an email to vote for the Pacific Division director. There is a link in the email to cast your vote electronically. I have cast my vote for John Litz NZ6Q, and it was easy to do. You have until November 21st to cast your vote

Another important item that can affect amateur radio operators, especially those who live in HOA's, is a bill (known as the Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act) sponsored by the ARRL in congress to limit HOA's ability to prohibit or limit amateur radio antennas. Please take a moment to send your representatives and senators a letter in support of this bill. I have attached information from the ARRL where you can follow a link to send the letters. You do not have to be a league member to do this. I have sent in my letters, and it was easy to do.

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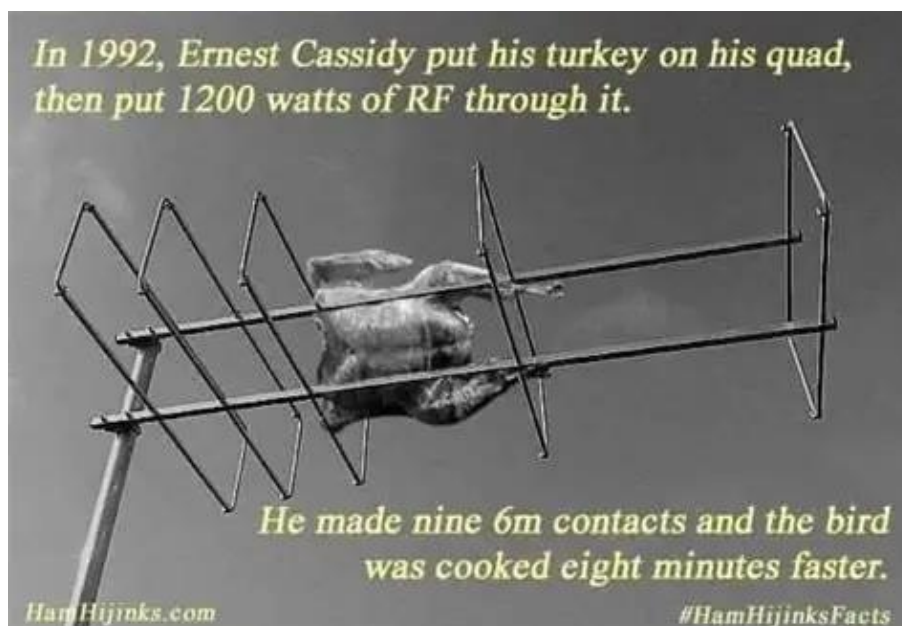
Ham Radio Influencers Rally Around Bill

There is momentum to involve every radio amateur in ARRL's grassroots campaign to pass the [Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act](#). Hosts from popular amateur radio YouTube channels have engaged their subscribers to learn more about the legislation, and some have hosted ARRL leaders for interviews on their shows.

A common theme is how easy ARRL has made it for every ham to send letters to Congress. Go to www.arrrl.org/HOA and click Send Your Letters Now. Then enter your call sign and push the SEND MY LETTERS button.

If you have anything to submit to the ARC-OVER, please let me know at kf6npg@aol.com. For the latest information on amateur radio activities follow the club on discord, Facebook, club website, and read the ARC-OVER.

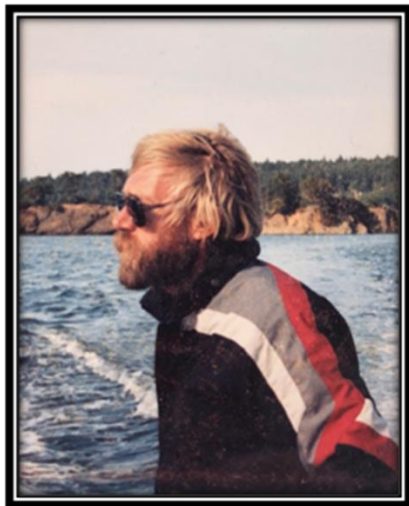
I look forward to seeing everyone at the club meeting.



Arc-Over "Message from the President" Article – October 2025

The club President Eric K7RKU has been extremely busy with cub business (and he works full time), unfortunately there is no president message this month.

Unfortunately, we had two members who became silent keys. We want to keep their friends and families in our thoughts and prayers.

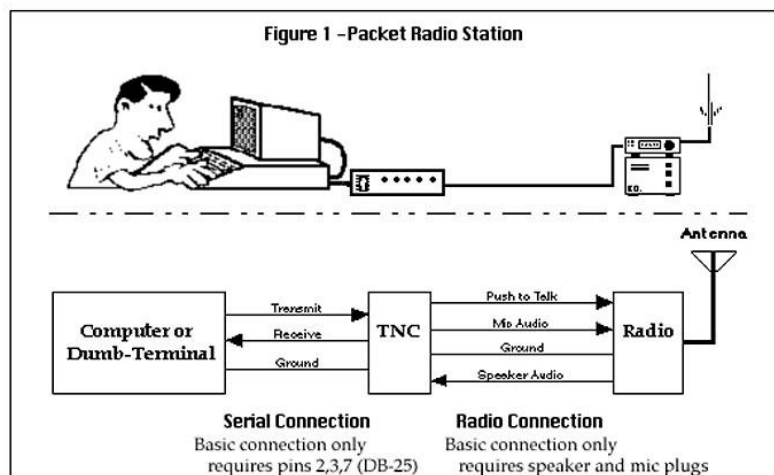


Mark Wallace AE6BT



John Boyles KG6NS

Another amateur operator who became an SK is Al Harral WB6YMN. Al was well known in the packet radio community. He was an expert packet radio operator and mentored many others in the use and importance of packet radio. He was very involved in the 145.050 packet radio net and was a frequent net control for the Jefferson Noon time net. Al will be missed.



**Meeting of the Turlock
Amateur Radio Club
10/14/2025, 7:00 PM
Regular Club Meeting**

Salvation Army Facility, 893 Lander Ave, Turlock

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Introductions (24 members signed the roll)
 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes-Motion by David (KG6QHS), seconded by Tim (WI6NG) and motion carried
 4. Officer Reports
 - President - Eric (K7RKU):

TARC Equipment Lending Library still in development - a Yaesu FT-991A (currently checked out), the Yaesu FT-891 (available), Baofeng HT's are available.
TARC team building/club reputation building - Plenty of "awesome" stickers and a few t-shirts left:
 SHORT Sleeve
 one XL - 1 military green; one 3XL-dark gray
 heather
 LONG Sleeve
 one 2XL - black
Tonight's raffle prize: - \$100 Amazon Gift Card and a 2nd pick from "Bonhomie" collection
Election season is occurring and anyone interested was encouraged to let Spencer know(KJ6ART) or John (N6JCS) know.
 - Vice President/ Program Committee / Arc-Over - Lucian (KF6NPG): tonights activity will be involving 20 meter Dipole antenna builds. A review of the many upcoming activities was briefly covered among them ARRL and HOA issues, payment of dues online, a presentation survey, the upcoming public events-Turkey Trot and Christmas parade, as well as an ham radio equipment estate sale by the Wallace family the weekend of October 24 and 25th.
 - Treasurer - Lena (KN6VOH): reviewed expenditures, income and account balances as per attached spread sheet.
 - Trustee / Repeater Committee - Spencer (KJ6ART): Absent
 5. Other Reports

Merced ARES - Dave (KG6NUO) not present. Online meetings would continue.
 6. Standing Committees

Portable Operations / Special Events Committee.
Recent POTA activity reviewed - Saturday 09/27/2025, Hatfield State Rec Area. Over the next couple of months additional Fox Hunting is being planned.
 7. Old Business

Update of club documents and election procedures is underway - draft bylaws were sent out to the membership via email on the 14th of October. Members were encouraged to review and be prepared to vote on adoption of the revised set of bylaws at the November General Meeting set for November 11, 2025.
Holiday meeting - change in format - a no cost attendance- promise of a super prize.
Antenna build after tonights meeting planned with Tim helping.
 8. New Business, None
- Adjournment Motion by Ed (K7ERD), seconded by Bambi (KI6YQL) and motion carried.
- Walter Schmidt (KI6PBL) secretary

**Turlock Amateur Radio Club
Income Expenses
September 30, 2025**

Beginning Bank Balance as of Bank Statement 08/31/2025		\$ 6,815.17
42721	Raffle	290.00
46750	T-Shirt Sales	96.00
47210	Membership Dues	60.00
Total Income		\$ 446.00
62835	Lease Mt Bullion	(420.00)
62890	Utilities - PG&E	(166.48)
65015	Meeting Refreshments (Sep)	(17.97)
Total Expenses		\$ (604.45)
Ending Banks Balance 09/30/2025		\$ 6,656.72

Internal Use Only - Reconciled to Bank Balance (unaudited)



Turlock Amateur Radio Club
Income Expenses
October 31, 2025

Beginning Bank Balance as of Bank Statement 09/30/2025		\$ 6,656.72
42721 Raffle	140.00	
47210 Membership Dues	85.00	
47301 Donations - Antenna Build	70.00	
46750 T-Shirt Sales	36.00	
Total Income	\$ 331.00	
62890 Utilities - PG&E	(67.63)	
62840 Equip Rental & Maintenance - Propane (MB)	(75.00)	
65015 Meeting Refreshments (Oct)	(39.97)	
Total Expenses	\$ (182.60)	
Ending Banks Balance 10/31/2025		\$ 6,805.12

Turlock Discord Server





Amateur Radio Operators, or “hams,” have a long history of serving their communities when storms or other disasters damage critical communication infrastructure, such as cell phone towers and fiber optic networks. Amateur radio functions completely independent of the internet and phone systems, and a ham radio station can be set up almost anywhere in minutes. Amateurs can quickly raise a wire antenna in a tree or on a mast, connect it to a radio and power source, and communicate effectively with others.

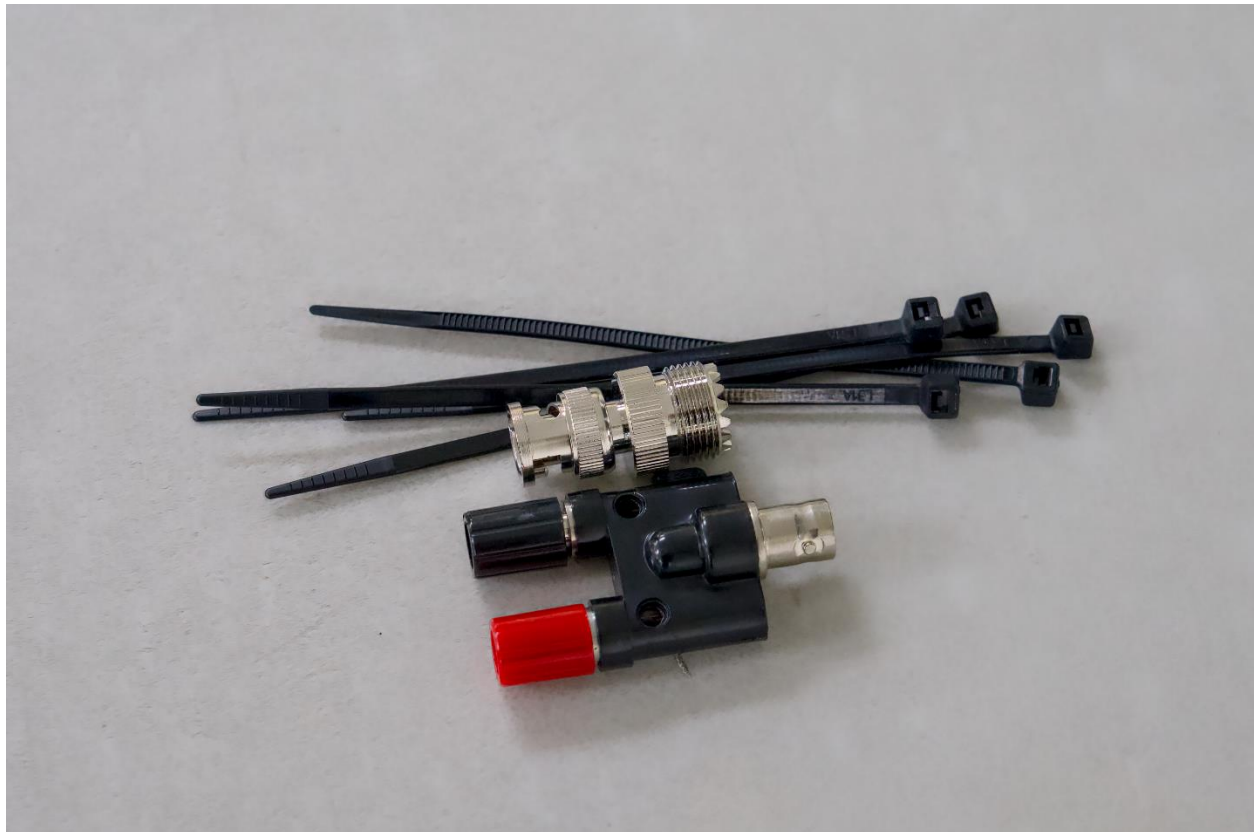
The ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service® ARES® (www.arrl.org/ares) consists of hams who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment with their local ARES leadership for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes. They use their training, skills, and equipment to prepare for and provide communications during emergencies When All Else Fails®. (Courtesy of the ARRL (Amateur Radio Relay League)).

If you are interested in emergency communications and serving the community, please consider joining Merced ARES. They have a weekly radio net on Mondays on the TARC repeater at 7:00 pm. Meetings are held monthly on the third Wednesday at 6:00 pm and will be held over ZOOM. ARES members look for an e-mail from Dave KG6NUO. If you are not on his e mail list, please email Dave to get on the list for the meetings at dave.anderson@arrl.net . For more information, please contact the Merced ARES Emergency Coordinator, Dave KG6NUO.

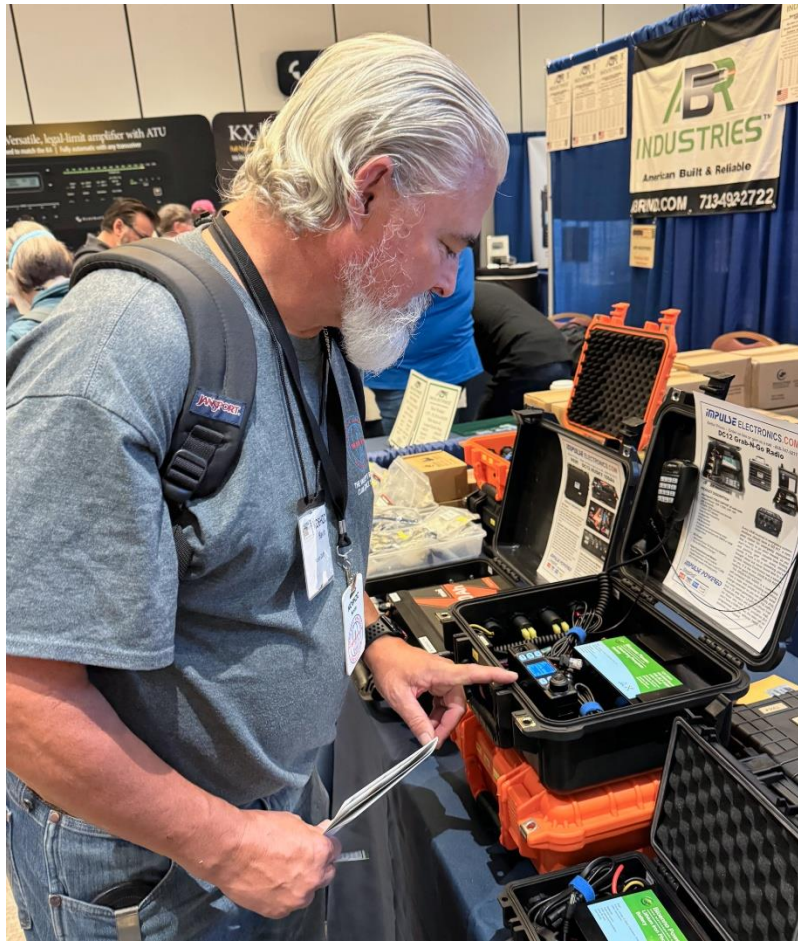


Photos Courtesy Don W6DEJ
W6DEJ.com for additional photos
Antenna build





2025 Pacificon





UPCOMING EVENTS

The club will sponsor 5 amateur radio license test sessions in 2026.

February 10, 2026, April 14, 2026, June 9, 2026, August 11, 2026, and October 13, 2026.

November

Tuesday 11th. Club meeting will start at 7:00 pm and the doors will open at 6:30 pm. Meeting place as usual at the Salvation Army 893 Lander Ave. Turlock, CA. Presentation on working Community Events.

Wednesday 19th Merced ARES meeting 6:00 pm. The meetings will be held over google meets. ARES members look for an e-mail from Dave KG6NUO. If you are not on his e mail list, please email him to get on the list for the meeting at dave.anderson@arrrl.net.

Saturday 22nd 51st annual Turkey Trot Run at Donnelly Park.



THE CITY OF TURLOCK PRESENTS...

51ST ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

NOVEMBER 22, 2025

Location:
Donnelly Park
600 Pedras Rd, Turlock, CA 95382

Registration:
September 4 - November 14
(Register by October 17 for a guaranteed custom race shirt!)

Prizes will be awarded to top finishers in each age group for the 1 Mile and 2 Mile Runs. 1 Mile Walk participants will not receive prizes, but all participants will be entered into a prize drawing!

Ages 12 & Under:
1 Mile Run
\$22.00 per participant

Ages 13 & Up:
1 Mile Walk
\$22.00 per participant
(OR)
2 Mile Run
\$28.00 per participant

209-668-5594
recreation@turlock.ca.us

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December

Friday 5th 46th annual Turlock Christmas Parade. More information to follow.

Tuesday 9th. Club meeting will start at 7:00 pm and the doors will open at 6:30 pm. Meeting place as usual at the Salvation Army 893 Lander Ave. Turlock, CA. Presentation TBA.

Wednesday 17th Merced ARES meeting 6:00 pm. The meetings will be held over google meets. ARES members look for an e-mail from Dave KG6NUO. If you are not on his e mail list, please email him to get on the list for the meeting at dave.anderson@arri.net .



TARC System Nets

- TARC Tuesday Night Club Net - Tuesdays 7 PM, except for the second Tuesday (club meeting night)
- Bacon and Eggs Net - Weekdays 7 AM
- Merced ARES Net – Mondays 7 PM
- San Joaquin Valley Section ARES Net – Sundays 7:30 PM

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- Individual Membership: \$25
- Family Membership: \$35

Are you receiving TARC emails? If not [head over to W6BXN.org](http://W6BXN.org) and subscribe.

2025 Club Officers

To protect TARC members' personal information, we will no longer post the list of members on the club website. For all club inquiries, including membership status, please send an email to info@w6bxn.org.

President Eric K7RKU

Secretary Walter KI6PB

Sergeant at Arms Jerry KN6GJK

Member at Large Bambi KI6YQL

Vice President/ARC-OVER Editor Lucian KF6NPG

Treasurer Lena KN6VOH

Member at Large John N6JCS

Club Trustee Spencer KJ6ART

